

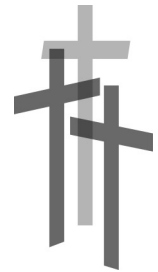
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 27, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP



Hymns: LSB 809,718,924
First Reading: Genesis 18:(17-19)20-33
Epistle: Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19)
Holy Gospel: Luke 11:1-13



WELCOME TO ST MATTHEW!

The Lord richly bless your time here this morning as we receive Christ in the liturgy, hymns, and preaching. There are guest cards and envelopes in the pews. All guests are encouraged to fill these out. The envelopes are provided for guests to contribute during the offering.

QUESTIONS ABOUT WORSHIP, BAPTISM OR COMMUNION? Please see the Pastor or the Elder on duty.

There will be one Worship Service at 9:15 A.M.. **Holy Communion will be celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month. Please announce your intention to commune by signing the sheet in the narthex.** If you would like to receive communion in your pew please check the box after your name on the announcement sheet.

HOME VISITS



Pastor Blaine Jorg is available to bring Holy Communion to the home of any member desiring a visit. You may also call him, regardless of the time, if any congregation member is in need of pastoral care. This is particularly important when there is a serious illness, an accident, a hospitalization and when death approaches or occurs.

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Joan Baroudi	Kelly Benedict
Christiana Brenon	Bob Burton
Patricia Cake	Linda Davidson
Bill & Pat Doeblor	Doug Ellman
Tom Essenburg	Joanne Jenkins
Ellie Grichen	Gloria Haeseler
Mark Haeseler	Marilyn Heigl
Curt Webb	Hannah Koepsell
Sharon Lemke	Florence Lindaman
Doris Matheis	Phil Moldenhauer
Jason Painter	Renee Patton
Dennis & Eileen Tischler	Karen Tischler
Jeremy Trombley	Ron Waliszewski
Tami Walters	Our Shut Ins



The drinking fountain is now working. **Thank you Tom for taking care of that repair.**

TODAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR:

The Prayer of the Church Is the Voice of Faith

Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of faith by teaching them how to pray. He promises us: "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). If earthly fathers know how to give good gifts to their children, "how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him" (Luke 11:13). Thus, father Abraham was bold in his prayer because he believed the gracious promise of the Lord, that he would "surely become a great and mighty nation" (Gen. 18:18). When we pray in Jesus' name, we also hold "fast to the Head" (Col. 2:19), "rooted and built up in him and established in the faith" (Col. 2:6-7).



Carol Haak was called home to God on July 17, 2025. Visitation will be here at St. Matthew Lutheran Church on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 from 10am-11am with the service to follow at 11am. Pastor Jorg will Officiate. Internment will be at St. Matthew Lutheran Cemetery with a luncheon to be served in the Lower Hall.



Vine and Branches

Open House at The Treehouse!

Please join us **TODAY** after the service until 1pm for our Open House. Stop in and see where the work and fun happen, and what we are currently up to! **Everyone that stops in will be entered in a drawing to win the "gift of gratitude," with the winner being chosen and given the gift on the following Sunday, August 3rd.** Any questions please let me know!

Light snacks will be provided



I am asking for your corporation on getting your articles for the Communicator into the office on or before the date stated in the bulletin. The notification is in the bulletin two weeks before the date it is due, yet some articles do not get to the office until days later. With that being said, **your articles are due August 15th for the September/October Communicator.** If I do not receive the articles by the 15th, your section of the bulletin will be blank. I will not text, email or call to remind you the articles are due. It may be helpful to mark your calendars or phones of the date due. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Michele



Young At Heart will tour the Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum on Sunday, August 24th at 1 pm followed by a picnic in the pavilion about 2:30. The cost for the Carrousel is \$10 and please bring a dish to pass for our picnic. We will meet at church at 12:30 and I will collect the money at that time. A sign up sheet will be at the door on the way out of church. Please see Carol Wilczak with any questions.



Ladies' Guild Strawberry Social, **August 10th after the 11 am church service.** Menu to include hotdogs, hamburgers, strawberry shortcake, sundae, pie, and beverages. To help with the cost, a sign up sheet will be on the stand on your way out. Free will donation. Contact Carol Wilczak if you have any questions.



Attic Treasures

Attic Treasurer items can be brought in starting the first week in July for the Bazaar in October. Please bring in **only clean and in good repair items.** If you would not buy it.....don't bring it in. Place the items on the tables on the far side of the fellowship hall. Thank you. See Ellen Graf if you have any questions.



YCC ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST

Any Questions contact Breanna Gerner Youth Director at 716-525-6953, gerner22@gmail.com. Meetings are on Sunday from 6-8.



Thursday, August 21st-
Buffalo Zoo

We will meet in the church parking lot at 10am.

PLEASE HELP US FILL OUR FOOD PANTRY HERE AT ST MATTHEW

We are in need of **mayonnaise, soups, canned carrots & corn, pancake syrup, ketchup and paper towels**. Please no canned green beans or peas. Thank you for your donations.



THE NORTH TONAWANDA FOOD PANTRY is in need of the following items; hamburger/tuna helper, rice a roni, flavored rice. **Put the items in the blue bin in the Quilting Room.** Thank you for your generosity.



ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS YTD

Attendance 7/20/2025	83	
Offering for 7/20/2025	\$3,099.00	
Week Ending 7/26/2025	YTD	
Budget	\$4,138.00	\$124,140.00
Received	<u>\$3,099.00</u>	<u>\$108,072.00</u>
	-\$1,039.00	-\$16,068.00
Capital Improvements YTD	\$140.00	

MEETINGS & EVENTS AT ST. MATTHEW

JULY 27, 2025

Sun: 9:15am-Worship Service

10:30am-Open House at The Tree House

Sat: 9:00am-Vine & Branches

NEXT WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon: 9:00am-12:00pm
Tue: Off
Wed: Off
Thu: 9:00am-12:00pm
Fri: 9:00am-11:00am

A BLESSING

In your time of need

May you be blessed with friends to
comfort and protect you

May you be safe and not frightened

May you have food and shelter to give you strength
And may hope overcome your sadness and joy return

Amen



SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

Elders: Siggy Barke, John Patton
Vestrymen: Tom Hromowyk
Ushers: Justin Hromowyk, Mark Lemke
Greeters: Joe Durick
Sunshine Committee: Open
Organist: Tom Goodrich
Sr. Choir Director: Open
Chimes: Open
Offering Counters: Team 4
Video Team: John Patton